

## Please Pray for...

All who have died especially Joanne Simonovitch, who died this week. We offer our sympathy and our prayers to her family and pray that she will rest in peace.

### Those who are sick in the hospital or recovering:

Pauline Casavant, Cheryl Boucher, John Waage, Theresa Johnson, Peggy Gallant, Theresa Cassavant, Bonnie Sheldon, David Auger, Barbara Gaudette, Tom Pawlowski, Rachel Kelliher, Dolly Choquette, Baby Ryan, Jean Wheeler, Mark Burnor, Catherine Baril, Shirley Quattrucci, Tim Josti Sr., Fr. Chet Devlin, Lea Derosier, Alice Sullivan, Anne Dowcra, Jeanne Provencher, Darlene Kennedy, Ruth & Carol Flynn, Mary Chojnacki, Erlene Lachapelle, John Ahearn, Noel Donabedian, Ruth Costa, Thomas Lilley, Pamela Collette, Patricia Johnson, Betty Cabana, Laurie Gablaski, Carey Dubois, Louise Beauvais, Diane Cyr, Wayne Pothier Jr., Joanne Carberry, Erin Spaulding, Jackie St. Martin, Peter Flynn, Donna Healy, Erin Tremble, Bev & Milo Nelson, Heather Lapierre, Theresa Thibault, Ernest Tremblay, Pauline Vallee, Gene Phillips, Elizabeth Lemerise, Heather Lech, Frances Barrett, Baby Oliver, Theresa Suchocki, Baby Parker, Mary DiSpirito, Patricia Burdette, Elizabeth Monfette, Ann Gablaski, Eddie LaFlamme, Addison Lacaire, Richard Chabior, Pat Benoit, Jeanne Lacroix, Amy Richard, Dolores Riopel, Tiffany and Bridget Sonnier, Roger Arsenault, and Norman Gosselin.

**PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE WEEK**  
**For all people suffering from mental illness or depression**

## OUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR AUGUST 8 & 9

Envelopes	\$5,229.00
Loose	\$ 355.00
Total collection	\$5,584.00
Number of envelopes	203
Attendance	395

**Weekly goal to meet all bills is \$ 8,000.00 per week**  
**Deficit this week is (-\$2,416.00)**

Thank you for your support this past weekend. This is the final month of our fiscal year. All make ups will be welcome.

**RCIA INQUIRY CLASSES** will be starting up in September. These sessions are for all those who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, those who have never been baptized, and Catholics who were baptized but never made First Communion or Confirmation. For more information speak to Fr. Jim or call him at 508-885-3111 ext. 104.

## PLEASE NOTE

The Rectory phone number 508-885-3806 is no longer in use. All calls to both buildings now go through the main phone line 508-885-3111. A list of the extensions for the staff is printed on the front cover of the bulletin. The extension for the rectory is Ext. 108 and for the Food Pantry, Ext. 110.



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## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Faith Formation office will be closed this week while Judi is on vacation. If you wish to leave Judi a message, she can be reached at 508-885-3111 Ext. 105.

**REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR** is ongoing. You can contact Judi by calling the office number and dialing her extension 105 or by e-mail. We remind those with children who are approaching First Communion age that this is a two year program beginning with first grade. We also offer a Kindergarten program on Sunday mornings which introduces the children to God and to the church. We need your help to make young parents aware of these programs so that they can enroll their children. Help us by spreading the word.

**TEACHERS NEEDED** We are in need of teachers for grades 9 and 10 which meet on Sunday evening and for subs for Tuesday classes. We are also in need of auxiliary help. We need 2 principals whose duties are to help set up for classes, collect attendance, call to check on absentees and other small but important tasks. We also need crossing guards on Sunday morning on Prospect St. and in the parking lot from 9:55 to 10:05 to assure the safety of the children as they are being dismissed and people are arriving for 10:15 Mass. Call Judi at 508-885 3111 ext. 105 to get more info or to volunteer.

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

There was a problem with the railings for the front door, and they did not get installed. Thank you for your continued patience during this time when we have been making improvements to our church property.

**Boy Scout Troop 201** is looking for adult volunteers to help with their troop on Thursday nights and an assistant scout master. More info to follow. Call Darcy Simons at 508-344-3307

## FOOD PANTRY REQUEST FOR THIS WEEK

### Razors

## MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

Are you looking to have a Mass offered for your loved ones? We have plenty of weekday Masses thru the end of the year, and plenty of Masses (weekday and weekend) available for 2016. Call the office if you wish to schedule a Mass to be offered for a loved one. Mass stipend is \$10.00 per mass.

**ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ** will be held on the parish grounds on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Mass will be at 11:00 under the tents and the BBQ will follow. More info to come.

**GLOW** our Junior Youth Group will have an end of the summer activity on Friday evening, August 28. It will be a Trip to **ROLL ON AMERICA** in Leominster. We meet at the church parking lot at 6:00 pm and return home around 10:00 pm. Save the date.

## SPECIAL REQUEST FROM THE FOOD PANTRY

A young man from our area has recently entered the Marine Corp and it is suggested that he have protein powder to support him during basic training. The product which he is allowed to have is determined by the Marine Corp. It is: **SUPER ADVANCED WHEY ISOLATE, 60 GRAMS IN EITHER VANILLA OR VANILLA CRÈME FLAVOR.** Donations can be dropped off in the food pantry baskets at the doors of the church and we will make sure that they get to his family. Thank you in advance for your support.

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## Pastor's Notes

### Take and Eat ... Take and Drink

I'm continuing this little series of reflections on the Eucharist that go with the readings for the month of August. Today's reading centers particularly on the Eucharist as the bread of Life and maybe that calls on us to reflect on how we receive this wonderful gift from God. When we receive in the hand as most of us do, it is important not to grab the host but to let the priest or minister place it reverently in your hand. One of the Saints described this action we do with our hands as making a throne for the King of Kings. We do this by placing one hand over the other with our palm open and then reverently taking and eating the bread of life. The same is true with the precious blood. Take the cup and drink reverently from it. To remind us of this the church has asked us to make a slight bow of the head as a sign of reverence to the Eucharistic presence before we receive. This is a small but concrete way of reminding ourselves that this is not some routine action but a sacred moment of union with the living God. These are things that we all learned but sometimes we need to be reminded of their importance. The Eucharist is God's gift to tell us how much He loves us. Remember to receive Him with love and reverence.

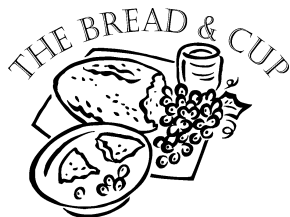
### THE ADORATION CHAPEL

The work on the adoration chapel continues. This week the ramp has been painted to try to preserve it for another year. The new rug may be a couple of weeks away. The one we picked out was too small. The fan has arrived and should be installed this week. We will try to do this work with as little disruption as possible. Remember that the church is open and Jesus is as truly present there in the tabernacle as He is in the chapel. So don't go home. Go to the church to pray.

**SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER** in Nasonville, R.I. will hold their annual Feast Day Celebration on Sunday August 16. There will be Stations of the Cross beginning at 11:00 am followed by lunch and a concert, a children's Living Rosary and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 3:00 pm which will include blessing with the relic of St. Therese. The shrine of St. Therese is located at the junction of Routes 102 and 7 in Nasonville, R.I..

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Notre Dame Hospice located on Plantation St. in Worcester is looking for kind, compassionate people to volunteer two hours a week to spend with end of life patients. Volunteers can wheel patients around, sit and talk with them, read the newspaper or books to them, do puzzles, play games or just sit and hold their hands and pray. If you think you would be comfortable doing this, contact Linda Corby, Volunteer coordinator at ND Hospice 508-852-5505 for more information. This is a great way to serve the Lord in His needy ones.

**Women's Retreat:** Saturday, September 25 at Sacred Heart – St. Catherine of Sweden Parish, 596 Cambridge St. Worcester. Topic will be Prayer & Forgiveness presented by Sister Janet Provost. Begin at 9:30 with coffee and fellowship, presentation from 10 – noon followed by lunch. Donation of \$6.00. Please R.S.V.P. by September 19<sup>th</sup> to Jo Luikey 508-755-2300



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## Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday, August 15</b> 4:30 pm Wayne Pepler (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv) by his Family
<b>Sunday, August 16</b> 8:00 am For the People of the Parish 10:15 am Louis Trzcinski (18 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) by Vinny & Family
<b>Monday, August 17</b> 8:00 am Jeannette & Romeo Allaire by Suzanne
<b>Tuesday, August 18</b> 8:00 am Eteinne Lamoureux by Suzanne & Family
<b>Wednesday, August 19</b> 8:00 am Annette Girouard by Paulette & Dennis Lafaille
<b>Thursday, August 20</b> 8:00 am Ledna Benoit by Diane Ledoux
<b>Friday, August 21</b> 8:00 am No Mass Today
<b>Saturday, August 22</b> 4:30 pm Lillian St.Onge by Sylvia Little & Family
<b>Sunday, August 23</b> 8:00 am Christine Hansen (12 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) by Mom & Family 10:15 am Pauline Kallio by Ray Kallio

## Calendar of Events

<b>Sunday, August 16</b> 10:15 am 1:00 pm	<b>Coffee Shop - Open</b> Family Mass Baptism
<b>Monday, August 17</b> 10:00 am	Food Pantry - <b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Tuesday, August 18</b>	
<b>Wednesday, August 19</b>	
<b>Thursday, August 20</b> 10:00 am	Food Pantry - <b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Friday, August 21</b>	
<b>Saturday, August 22</b> 3:30 pm 4:30 pm	Confessions Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday, August 23</b> 10:15 am	Coffee Shop <b>OPEN</b> Children's Liturgy of the Word

**An OLD FASHION ITALIAN FESTIVAL** Will be held on August 21, 22 and 23 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish on Mulberry St. in Worcester. Proceeds are to help with the work that needs to be done on this church as a result of being so close to Rte. 290. This is a good way to help one of our parishes and have a great time as well.



**St. Andrew Bobola Parish** in Dudley will hold a festival on August 29<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 11pm. More details online at [www.worcesterdiocese.org](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org) under Diocesan Dispatch or Online Calendar

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